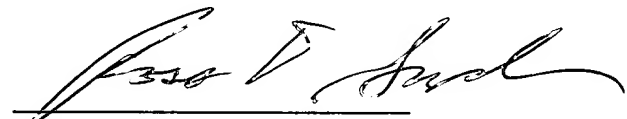


### REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-33 are pending in the present application. The Examiner has rejected claims 1-33. Applicant has amended claims 1, 2, 7-10, 12-14, 17, 18, 23-26, and 31-33. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of pending claims 1-33.

Respectfully submitted,

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